

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

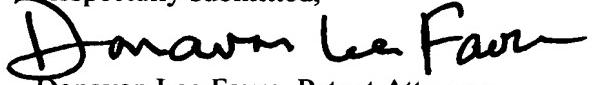
In the specification minor typographical errors have been corrected and reference to the corresponding PCT application have been added along with a statement that the present application is a 35 U.S.C. 371 application.

All of the claims remain in this application and claims 20-22 have been added. All of the claims, except claim 22 now require that the recited composition is not ensiled after the bacteria and enzyme are added. Claim 22 requires that the composition not be ensiled after the addition of the enzyme.

The Examiner has previously acknowledged that claims directed to non ensiled materials are both novel and involve an inventive step.

Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,



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